Representation of the President of the AH India IDPL Employees Federation

1877. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA;

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the President of the All India IDPL Employees Federation has urged Government to get an Investigation done into the possible hormonal imbalance among employees working at the plants manufacturing contraceptive pills; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) IDPL has reported that it has provided necessary safety measures in its unit producing contraceptives to ensure that the workers are not exposed to any hazard in the production of contraceptives and that no complaint has been received by the company from its workers regarding unsafe working conditions.

Electronic Exchanges in Coal Fields

1878. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWA-MI Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased *to* state :

(a) whether it is a fact that electronic telephone exchange installed at Bars Bazar, Calcutta has increased the telephone revenue from that exchange by ten fold from Rs. 12 lakh to Rs. 1.20 crore; and

(b) if so, whether Government would expedite the programme of setting electronic exchanges in West Bengal Coalfields by importing foreign exchanges ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Demand and Supply of Electricity

1879. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GO-SWAMI : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) what was the gap between the demand and supply of electricity as on 31st December, 1987 region-wise, and

(b) what was the total generation during the last five years region-wise and year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALP-NATH RAI) : (a) The required information is as under :—

January 1987 to December, 1987 Fig. in MU

	Requirement	Availability	Shortage
Northern Region	61039	54379	6060
Western Region	61512	58560	2952
Southern Region	53988	45809	8179
Eastern Region	27370	23827	3543
North Eastern Region	2057	1974	83
All India	205966	184549	21417

(b) The required i nformatio**n** is as under:—

	Energy Generation (Fig. in MU)				
	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
Northern Region	39664	41507	46149	52842	59517
Western Region	45944	51700	57389	63128	68945
Southern Region	34162	42132	43486	47091	47634
Eastern Region	18637	19635	21175	22630	23646
North Eastern Region	1489	1659	1838	1914	2152
All India	139896	156633	170037	187605	201894

Additional power to Small Scale Industries in Tamil Nadu

1880. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether It is a fact that a number of small scale industrial units including hotels (classified as industry) are denied additional power required by them for increasing their industrial activity, by the Thanjavur Municipal Electricity Department in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the number of industries which have been affected thereby; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALP :NATH RAI) ; (a) to (c). The infoima-fion is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Overcharging on Betamethasone and l)e-xametbasone

1881. SHRI BHAGAT RAM MAN-HAR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Un-starred Question 3752 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that companies referred to in the reply made part payment;

(b) if so what is the balance amount to be paid by each and when would it be paid;

(c) what are the details of compositions of Betamethasone and Dexamethasone being marketed in the country and what are the reasons' for non-fixation of prices of all;

(d) what was the price of each bulk drug taken by and when the prices of all formulations will be fixed;

(e) whether the amount overcharged from consumers on these drugs have been assessed;

(f) if so, what are the details thereof; and